

Resolution No.

RESOLUTION: To support a “school only” design option for the proposed new Richard Montgomery Elementary School #5

WHEREAS, Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) projects that the enrollment in elementary schools in the Richard Montgomery cluster will range from 110% to 150% over capacity by 2013-2014; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent’s Recommended FY 2012 Amendments to the FY 2011-2016 Capital Improvements Program recommended a feasibility study for a new elementary school at the site of the former Hungerford Park Elementary School at 332 West Edmonston Drive in the City of Rockville; and

WHEREAS, the City of Rockville recognizes the importance of high quality public schools to Rockville residents and that the school facility impacts the student’s learning experience; and

WHEREAS, the City of Rockville strongly supports construction of a new elementary school at the site of the former Hungerford Park Elementary School to alleviate overcrowding in the Richard Montgomery cluster; and

WHEREAS, the MCPS Facility Advisory Committee evaluated four design schemes, including two designs with only an elementary school on the site and two designs that incorporated office space with an elementary school on the site; and

WHEREAS, at the final Facility Advisory Committee meeting on May 12, 2011 those in attendance indicated a strong preference for either of the two “school only” designs; and

WHEREAS, the Beall Elementary School Parent Teacher Association, College Gardens Elementary School Parent Teacher Association, Ritchie Park Elementary School Parent Teacher Association, and the Twinbrook Elementary School Parent Teacher Association approved and adopted resolutions “Against Co-location of Montgomery County Office Space with Proposed Richard Montgomery Cluster Elementary School #5;”

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND, that the Mayor and Council:

- 1) Strongly supports the construction of a new elementary school in the Richard Montgomery cluster, as soon as possible, to alleviate the overcapacity situation in the elementary schools in the cluster; and
- 2) Supports a “school only” design option for the proposed new Richard Montgomery Elementary School #5 at the site of the former Hungerford Park Elementary School.

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Mayor and Council at its meeting of .